

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	:	George F. Kick et al.
Appl. No.	:	10/728,728
Filed	:	December 5, 2003
For	:	EXPANDABLE PERCUTANEOUS SHEATH
Examiner	:	Glenn K. Dawson
Group Art Unit	:	3731

AMENDMENT**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on September 13, 2006, Applicant respectfully submits the following.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.